

CHAPTER VI

LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN

INTRODUCTION

This report is the culmination of a one yaer planning program for Jackson County which included a Land Use Survey and Analysis and a Population and Economy Study. These two studies are the basis for the Land Development Plan. In addition a Housing Work Element is being printed under separate cover. By reaching this point, the planning program for Jackson County has achieved a minor goal; however, in light of achievement of planning goals and objectives or the implementation of this Plan, the program has just begun.

These four studies have been designed to point out the assets and liabilities of the County and to develop a plan conserving the assets while planning for the growth of the county. With this premise in mind, this plan attempts to achieve the following general goals and objectives.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- (1) Protect several social amenities of the county including: (a) The Western Carolina University campus; (b) Southwestern Technical Institute; (c) The Webster Historical Site.
- (2) Protect the natural environment of the county from intensive urban development. Those areas include: (a) freshwater streams; (b) forestry and vegetation; (c) clean air; (d) wildlife.
- (3) Confine Commercial and Industrial Development to stratigic areas most suited for such uses.
- (4) Plan with the idea of providing the most efficient use of natural resources and public services.